

# FIDUCIARY BOARD

Arizona State Courts Building 1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Hearing Room 109

> May 11, 2017 10:30 p.m.

# **Approved Regular Meeting Minutes**

MEMBER ATTENDAN	CE:		
Present:	Telephonically Present:	Absent:	
Deborah Primock	Honorable Jay Polk	Emily Kile	
Elaine Acosta Sweet	Teresa Lancaster		
Gary Krcmarik	Diana Corry		
Catherine Robbins	Leonard Montanaro		
OTHER ATTENDEES:	Cuasta		
OTHER ATTENDEES: AOC Staff:	Guests:		
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AOC Staff:			
AOC Staff:  Michelle Martinez	Eric Hal		
Michelle Martinez  Debbie MacDougall	Eric Hal	er	
Michelle Martinez  Debbie MacDougall  Wil Castro	Eric Hal	er	

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Called to Order By: Deborah Primock, Chair

*Time*: 10:30 a.m.

#### 1) REVIEW AND APRROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Individuals Addressing the Board:

Deborah Primock, Chair

1-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the regular session

minutes of the meeting held on March 9, 2017.

**Discussion:** None.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to approve the regular session minutes from

March 9, 2017.

Motion Proposals: First Elaine Sweet

Second Gary Krcmarik

**Motion Results:** Pass

1-B: Review, discussion and possible action possible action regarding the

regular session minutes of the meeting held on April 10, 2017.

**Discussion:** None.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to approve the regular session minutes from

April 10, 2017.

Motion Proposals: First Gary Kremarik

Second Elaine Sweet

Motion Results: Pass

#### 2) PENDING COMPLAINTS/ RENEWAL OF LICENSURE

# Individuals Addressing the Board:

Hal White

- **2-A:** Review, discussion and possible actions regarding complaint number 14-0011:
  - i. Involving license holder, Kay Kozak
  - ii. Renewal of licensure involving Kay Kozak

Discussion:

Staff recommends the Board accept the finding of the Probable Cause Evaluator and enter a finding Kay Kozak has not committed the alleged act(s) of misconduct as detailed in Allegation 3 of the Investigation Summary and Allegation Analysis Report in complaint number 14-0011.

It is recommended the Board accept the finding of the Probable Cause Evaluator and enter a finding Kay Kozak has committed the alleged act(s) of misconduct as detailed in Allegation 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 of the Investigation Summary and Allegation Analysis Report in complaint number 14-0011

It is recommended the Board enter a finding grounds for formal disciplinary action exists pursuant to Arizona Code of Judicial Administration for act(s) of misconduct for preparing powers of attorney and a will.

It is further recommended the Board issue a Censure.

Based on the recommendation regarding the aforementioned complaint number, it is recommended to grant renewal of licensure for Kay Kozak.

**Motion:** Motion to reject staff's recommendation and revoke licensure.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Gary Krcmarik

Motion Results: Pass

Individuals Addressing the Board:

Hal White

**2-B:** Review, discussion and possible action regarding complaint number 14-0012, involving license holder, Fred Brinckerhoff.

Discussion:

Staff recommends the Board accept the finding of the Probable Cause Evaluator and enter a finding Fred Brinckerhoff has not committed the alleged act(s) of misconduct as detailed in Allegations 2 and 3 of the Investigation Summary and Allegation Analysis Report in complaint number 14-0012.

It is recommended the Board accept the finding of the Probable Cause Evaluator and enter a finding Fred Brinckerhoff has committed the alleged act(s) of misconduct as detailed in Allegations 1 and 4 of the Investigation Summary and Allegation Analysis Report in complaint number 14-0012.

It is recommended the Board enter a finding grounds for informal disciplinary action exists for act(s) of misconduct by notarizing Rubino's signature when his spouse and Marik benefited from the documents notarized and as an employee of Marik, serving both in the capacity as the fiduciary/caregiver and third party liquidator.

It is further recommended the Board issue a Letter of Concern to Fred Brinckerhoff.

Based on the recommendation regarding the aforementioned complaint number, it is recommended to grant renewal of licensure for Fred Brinckerhoff.

Motion: Motion to reject staff's recommendation for informal discipline as to

Allegations 1 and 4, and move for revocation of licensure.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Elaine Sweet

**Motion Results:** Pass

**Motion:** Judge Polk moves to reject staff's recommendation as to Allegation 2,

substantiate the allegation and include it as part of the motion for revocation.

Motion Proposals: First Hon. Jay Polk

Second Elaine Sweet

Motion Results: Pass

#### Individuals Addressing the Board:

Pasquale Fontana

2-C: Review, discussion and possible action regarding complaint number 16-

0013, involving license holder, Donna Allison-Howard.

**Discussion:** On October 11, 2016, the Division received a written complaint against

licensed fiduciary, Donna Allison-Howard.

On April 14, 2017, Ms. Allison-Howard's attorney, Mark Andersen, notified Division staff that she passed away on or about April 14, 2017. Further, Mr. Andersen's office has petitioned the Arizona Superior Court seeking substitution of guardian/conservator for all court appointments.

The Division recommends the Board close the investigation.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Elaine Sweet

Second Gary Krcmarik

Motion Results: Pass

## 3) INITIAL LICENSURE AND ELIGILITY

## Individuals Addressing the Board:

Hal White

**3-A:** Review, discussion and possible action regarding the following applications for initial individual and business licensure.

1. Susan Pratt

2. Kimberlie Musselman

3. Zen Freelance Fiduciary Solutions, LLC

**Discussion:** Staff recommends the Board grant initial fiduciary licensure.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Gary Kremarik

Second Catherine Robbins

Motion Results: Pass

4. Eric Hanley5. Andrew Stone6. Rochelle Pones

**Discussion:** Staff recommends the Board grant initial fiduciary licensure.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Judge Jay Polk

*Motion Results:* Pass

Individuals Addressing the Board: Wil Castro

7. Vikki Whipple

**Discussion:** Staff recommends initial fiduciary licensure with non-disclosure language.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Gary Krcmarik

Motion Results: Pass

8. Yvonne Stallings

**Discussion:** Staff recommends initial licensure with non-disclosure language and

additional cautionary language that (i) emphasizes the importance that a fiduciary shall avoid self-dealing, conflict of interest or impropriety, or the appearance of a conflict of interest or impropriety and (ii) the importance of assuring her actions and the actions of the Apache County Public

Fiduciary's Office are code compliant in all situations.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Gary Krcmarik

**Motion Results:** Pass

Note: Yvonne Stallings was present.

#### 4) RENEWAL OF LICENSURE APPLICATIONS:

#### Individuals Addressing the Board:

Wil Castro

- **4-A:** Review, discussion and possible action regarding the following applications for renewal of individual and business entity licensure.
  - 1. Arizona care Advocates, PC (Debra McPherson)
  - 2. Assurance Fiduciary & Financial Services, PLLC (Sarah Holcomb)
  - 4. Esteemed Life Solutions, LLC (Kelly Crane)
  - 5. Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern Arizona (Marshall Herron)
  - 6. Fred Appel
  - 7. Debra Bailey
  - 8. Shannon Bennett
  - 9. Mary Jane Dicresce
  - 10. James Elliott
  - 11. Nicole Escalante
  - 12. Tamarah Fitzsimmons
  - 13. Deborah Gilliland
  - 14. Cathleen Gray
  - 15. Patricia Grenier
  - 16. Pamela Johnston
  - 17. Mitchell Keamy
  - 18. Michael Klecka

20. Gregory Loughridge

22. Gary Pope23. Rashiel Salem24. Diana Serna

25. John Tully

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Leonard Montanaro

Second Gary Krcmarik

Motion Results: Pass

3. Bogutz & Gordon, PC (Craig Wilson)

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Gary Kremarik

Motion Results: Pass

**Recusal:** Teresa Lancaster

19. Ann Lander

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Teresa Lancaster

Second Leonard Montanaro

**Motion Results:** Pass

**Recusal:** Catherine Robbins

21. Anna Maria Martelli

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Elaine Sweet

Second Teresa Lancaster

Motion Results: Pass

**Recusal:** Deborah Primock

#### 26. Pamela Walsma

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Judge Jay Polk

Second

Gary Krcmarik

Motion Results: Pass

**Recusal:** Catherine Robbins

27. Donna Benjamin

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Leonard Montanaro

Second Elaine Sweet

Motion Results: Pass

28. Charles Fuss

29. Shawnie Patterson30. Catherine Robbins31. Mary Trevillian

32. Catherine Yoshida-Corella

33. Maricopa County Public Fiduciary

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Gary Kremarik

Second Elaine Sweet

Motion Results: Pass

**Recusal:** Catherine Robbins

34. Jennifer Murray

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted with non-disclosure

language.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Elaine Sweet

Second Gary Kremarik

Motion Results: Pass

**Recusal:** Catherine Robbins

35. Maureen Edwards and Maureen Edwards, LLC

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of licensure be granted with non-disclosure

language.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Leonard Montanaro

Second Judge Jay Polk

Motion Results: Pass

36. Naketa Ross

**Discussion:** Staff recommends denial of renewal of fiduciary licensure for failing to

cooperate with or supply information to the Director, Deputy Director, Division Staff or Board by the specific time stated in multiple requests.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Catherine Robbins

Second Judge Jay Polk

**Motion Results:** Pass

#### 5) LICENSURE AND ELIGIBILITY

Individuals Addressing the Board:

**5-A:** Review, discussion and possible action regarding the request for an

extension to complete continuing education requirements from licensee,

Judy Nicholson.

**Discussion:** Staff recommends renewal of fiduciary licensure for Judy Nicholson with

continuing education remedial actions. On or before May 31, 2018, the applicant will provide the Division with proof of completed continuing education for the present licensure period. The 5 hours of CE earned during this renewal period to make up will not count towards current requirements.

**Motion:** Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Leonard Montanaro

Second Gary Krcmarik

**Motion Results:** Pass

# 6) ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

# Individuals Addressing the Board:

Michelle Martinez

**6-A:** Update on subcommittee to review possible Code changes involving guidelines concerning bankruptcies and other financial disclosure issues.

# **CALL TO PUBLIC**

*Individuals Addressing the Board:* None.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

*Time:* 11:59 a.m.